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Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS, IN H. M. PROVINCIAL COURT AT AMOY

WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co. Late Manager of the Novelty Iron Works, Hongkong. WM. DUNPHY.

Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

NOTICE. TR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COM-

J. Y. VERNON BHAW. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENE-RAL BROKER, hitherto conducted in my name, will now be carried on under the Style of COHEN & HEATON, Mr ALEXANDER MADGLASHAN HEATON having This Day become a PARTNER

CHAS. C. COHEN. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE, HAVE This Day admitted Mr WILLIAM LEGGE as a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of BUGHES & LEGGE.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE. RATE JAMES ATTON MANN is suite. Ill rized to Bign our Firm by Procura-

GEPP & Co. Cauten, November 1, 167?

Entertainment.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

will take place on MONDAY, the 7th JANUARY, 1878, the Proceeds of which will be devoted to the FUND for Belleving the FAMINE in the NORTH of CHINA. Hongkong, December 18, 1877.

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

NOTION.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 81st Instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents. Hongkong, December 12, 1877. HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COM-

PANY, LIMITED. THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the

A. NEWTON, Manager. Hongkong, December 1, 1877.

27th Instant, both days inclusive.



CEALED TENDERS will be Received of 1 per cent, per annum on the daily by the Undersigned until Noon on THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, for the Construction of a COOK HOUSE, at the ROYAL NAVAL HOSPITAL. Plans and Specification may be seen on Application.

JOHN BREMNER, Naval Storekeeper. H. M. NAVAL YARD. Hongkong, December 15, 1877. de20

DENTAL NOTICE. TR. ROGERS begs to say that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to

receive Patients. Hongkong, November 22, 1877. DENTAL NOTICE.

T.R. STOUT has RETURNED, and will be I ready to receive Patients on MONDAY the 24th Instant, until further notice, at his Rooms, Ground Floor, HOTELDEL'UNIVERS. Office hours, 8 to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 p.m. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1869.

In the matter of proceedings for Liquidation by arrangement or composition with Creditors instituted by JOHN DODD and CRAWFORD DAVISON KERR, trading under the Style of DODD & Co., at Amov and Tamsur.

TOTICE is hereby given that a First MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Persons has been summoned to be Held at Mesers Donn & Co.'s Offices, Amoy, on the 29th day of December instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pre- fine.)

Dated this 5th day of December, 1877. JOHN DODD.

CRAWFORD D. KERR. by his Attorney,

ECONOMICAL,

ESIRING to benefit by the world. wide reputation of our Oil, certain in Jelly. parties have attempted to imitate our pack. RUTS. ages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRILE LIANT" are stendilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE M'FQ CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the tan.

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EVER IMPORTED. SACCONE'S PURE SHERRIES, at Low Prices. PURE PORT. LIQUEURS.

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Hongkong, December 3, 1877. HAVE JUST RECEIVED Ex "STATE OF ALABAMA," &c., AND ARE NOW OFFERING FOR BALE THEIR

XMAS. SUPPLY, Fancy Goods and Table Delicacies.

TATORDAN'S SELVER PENCIL CASES, in numerous Fancy and Novel Designs Inlaid Tortoise-shell CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES. Enamelled JEWEL CASKETS. Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING

MUSICAL and other ALBUMS. OPERA GLASSES. Mappin Brothers' and Rodgers' CUT-

Electro-plated CENTRE STANDS. Revolving Bacon DISHES. FRUIT STANDS. SIDE DISHES & Covers. WAITERS. TEA & COFFEE Services. Presentation MUGS. FISH KNIVES and FORKS in Polished Cases.

FRUIT KNIVES and FORKS in Polished Cases. LIQUEUR STANDS, and CRUETS. CLARET JUGS. BISCUIT BOXES. CAKE BASKETS.

CHOICE COSAQUE CRACKERS, IN GREAT VARIETY, AND NEWEST DESIGNS ELEGANT BONBON BOXES. MECHANICAL and other TOYS. PRESENTATION BOOKS.

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Doré and Tennyson's "ÆNID." VIVIAN. Capt. MARS' ANGLICAN MYS-TERIES OF PARIS. DOYLES' FOREIGN TOUR OF BROWN, JONES & ROBINSON. Michelet's "THE SEA." TROPICAL NATURE. CASSELL'S POPULAR EDUCATOR

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Finest JORDAN ALMONDS. SMYRNA FIGS. CHOCOLATE, MASSON. CHOCOLATE Imitation Objects. Super-fine LIQUEUR CANDIES. DRAGEES, in Fancy Boxes. NONGATINES.

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PHILIPPE & CANAUDS' Assorted PATES. Reindeer TONGUES. Russia OX Collared OX TONGUE. OX TONGUE German Brown CAKES and GINGER

HURTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS, in cause FINEST. old O. K. BOURBON WHISKY. SHERRIES. PORT. BRANDIES.

White WINES.

LIQUEURS. KRUG'S CHAMPAGNE, in Pints and Guinness's STOUT, Bottled by E. & J. Burns, in Pints and Quarts.

Hengkong, Datember 10, 1877

CHRISTMAS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, made to order by Hongkong & China Bakery Co -Special Agents, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

FOR BALE.

TERY FINE and Full AUSTRALIA

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1877. COAL

THEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM D COAL for Sale, ex Godown. Apply to BATTLES & Co.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

Auctions. PUBLIC AUCTION.

JAPANESE CURIOS. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sel by Public Auction, in their Sales Room, Praya, on

THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, at 2 p.m.,-A Very Choice Collection of Rare and Old JAPANESE CURIOS, consisting of: Old Satsuma, Kutani, Hizen, Owari

and Tokio Ware. A few rare Old Bronzes, and Carved Ivories. A few Choice Specimens of Old and

Superior Lacquer Ware. (On view from Noon on WEDNESDAY). The attention of Connoisseurs is invited. Hongkong, December 17, 1877. d2

FURNITURE SALE.

ANE. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed by H. KINGSMILL, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, "As You Like It," Albany Hill

Road, on THURSDAY,

the 27th December, 1877, at Noon,-The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (chiefly London-made), and other Effects. The Drawing-room Furniture, Consists chiefly of Superior Carved and Polished Walnut Tables, Couch, and Lounging Chairs, also Cane and Wicker Chairs, Chintz Curtains and Fittings, a Brussela Carpet, a Collard and Collard Plano, and a Four-Burner Hanging Lamp, by Osler.

The Dining-room contains a wellseasoned, Hand-polished Mahogany telescope Table, with Spare Leaves; a full Set of Solid Mahogany Dinner Chairs, GE. Covered with Morocco, a Mahogany Sideboard with Carved Back and Marble Top, Electroplated Ware, Glass

Ware, Crockery, &c., &c. The Bedrooms contain Brass and Iron Bedsteads, with Hair Mattress, Chintz Hangings, &c., a Complete Set of Polished Solid Birch Furniture, well-seasened, ed Solid Birch-Furnivure, well-seasened, Company's Chartered comprising Wardrobes, Toilet Table, Steamer Steamer OOMAN," Chests of Drawers, Birch-Framed Toilet Glasses and Stands, Chairs, Round

Table, dec., dec. A Choice Selection of Japanese Conifer Shrubs, Standard Ross Bushes, English and Japanese Lilies, English Flowering Plants, de., &c., will also be

On view from 12 velock on WEDNES-DAY, the 26th TERMS OF SALE -- Cheir before delivery Bass & Co.'s PALE ALE, Bottled by in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7. 1. 7. CAMESON & SAUNDERS, in Pints and Quarte. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasel's risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), on

the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sale Room, Praya Central,-The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First -All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of INLAND LOT No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section A of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 88 feet, and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01; -together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased

by D. RUTTUNJEE, Esq. Second .- All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poke-fo-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on Closes Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 221 Acres of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$53,40.

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poke-fo-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot. No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 32 Acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$12; together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the afore-

said Lots. TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed or Deeds of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the Taking Tes and other Cargo at through purchaser.

The Property to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Shipping.

Hongkong, October 31, 1877.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports to land

Mails and Passengers.) The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "NORMANBY" will be despatched as above on or about the 31st Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, December 5, 1877. MONTHLY LINE THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVI GATION COMPANY.

For COORTOWN and SYDNEY, taking Cargo and Passengers for all AUSTRALIAN and NEW ZEALAND Ports.

JOHN C. JAGUES, Commander, will lead for the above Ports, and be despatched on or about December 26th, 1877. For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 4, 1877. Sailing Vessels. FOR DUNEDIN (N. Z.)

The A 1 German Barque "MARIE," Capt. BURMEISTER, will load here for the above Port, and have a quick despatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hangsong, November 14, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barque JENETT, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo, engaged, will load at this Port as above

OLYPHANT & Co. Hongkong, December 1, 1877. FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The A 1 French Barque "ANGELE," Captain BARBEYRON, will take Freight at moderate rates, and

For Freight or Passage, apply to

FOR LONDON (DIRECT.) The A 1 Brit. Clipper Bark "KATE CĀRNIE."

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 Clipper Barque GOLDEN RUSSETT,"
RICHARDSUN, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

Hongkong, November 28, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Spanish Schooner have quick despatch as above. REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877. FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The Brit, 3-m. Schooner "SEA BELLE." Captain Ross, will load here for the above Ports, and will have

quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE & Co.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barkentine "SAMOS," C. H. BRYANT, Mester, will load here for the above Port, and

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "T. A. GODDARD."

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. rates and under through Bills of Lading for Chicago, New York and all Eastern Places. The British Ship

SHREWSBURY, Master, will be despatched as above on or before Rate of Freight to San Francisco, \$2.50

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, December 12, 1877. FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON.

"ONEIDA, S. OLYMA, Master, having 3/4ths of her Cargo engaged, will load here as above, and will be despatched on or about the 31st December. For Ereight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, November 27, 1877. FOR NEW. YORK. The & 1 American Ship

VUGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 8, 1877. FOR HONOLULU.

For Froight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, BAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 8, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Ship

wick despatch For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, October 10, 1877

For Freight, apply to

and have quick despatch.

have quick despatch.

CARLOWITZ & Co., Hongkong, December 5, 1877.

JAMES WILSON, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have immediate despatch as

Hongkong, November 28, 1877.

For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.

MERICAECHAVARIA, Master, will For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

have early despatch.

Hongkong, December 4, 1877.

A. F. SMITH, Master, will load here for the above Port, and have early despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 20, 1877.

Through Rate, \$2 and Eastern Rates. For Freight, apply to

The A 1 British Ship

INGRAHAM, Master, will load here for the above Port, and For Freight, apply to

The A 1 American Ship "CHARTER OAK," STAPLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and and description.

"ISLES OF THE SOUTH;"
DENNETT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have

To Let.

OFFICE TO LET. Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

TO LET. YOS. 4, and 5, PECHILI TERRACE, ELGIN Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

TO LET. THE FIRST STORY of the Premises No. 1, Praya East. Apply to

A. HAHN.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

TO LET. THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1. D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs Douglas Lapeair & Co. The Dwelling House No. 10, Gough

The Bungalow No. 17, Wellington Street. Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 4, 1877.

TO LET ON LEASE, Possession on the 1st January, 1878. THE Well-known Premises now occupied as the "STAG HOTEL." House contains; Dining Room, Sitting Room, and 12 Bed-rooms, a large Billiard Room for Two Tables, Pantry, Bath-rooms, and W. C. Also, a Bar, in Queen's Road and Store attached; Cook House, 2 Boys Roms, &c. Gas and Water laid on.

For further Particulars, apply to J. ARMSTRONG, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, November 30, 1877.

TO LET. TTOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, lately occupied by the Rev. R. H. Kind. "Bisnes Villa," Pok-foo-lum, Furnished. Nos. 9 and 11, Queen's Road Central, with spacious Godowns attached, at present occupied by Messrs Butterrield & Swife. DAVID SASSOON, BONS & Co. Hongkong, October 18, 1877.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A. MILLAR & Co., PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS, Queen's Road East,

HONGKONG. September 18, 1877.

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES. Decsased.

TOTICE is hereby given that all Oreditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES. late Master of the S. S. "ZEALANDIA, who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to John FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said JOHN FAIREAIRN at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, the Solicitor of the said John FAIRBAIRN, at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BREEETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong on or before the 15th day of January, 1878

And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said John FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said James SMITH FERRIES amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said John FAIRBAIRN has then had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877. WM. H. BRERETON, Bolicitor for the said John FAIRBAIRN.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part L. A to K, with Introduction. Royal Svo. pp. 202.-By Ernest John Eitel, Ph.D.

. Price: Two Dullars and a Half To be had from Mesers LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai, and Mosara KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

FOR SALE,

BEAMERN CANTON.

MHE Desirable Property known Lor No. 46, consisting of Commodious DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICES and

SILK GODOWN, For particulars, apply to

G. M. SMITH.

October 18, 1877.

WASHING BOOKS,

(In English and Chinetes TATASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now tendy at this Office-Price, \$1 each, CHINA MAIL Office.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Steamship "NAMOA." Capt. J. E. PUNCHARD, WIL be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 19, 1877. de23 GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on

FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at Noon,-MORTON'S OILMAN'S STORES, comprising: Mustard, Salad Oil, Olives, Jam, Raisins, Oatmeal,

Blue Foolscap and Letter Paper, Steel Pens and Penholders, Letter Olips, Ink hurricane force; the wind then backed to Erasers, Microscopes, Candle Boxes, Travelling Companions, Birthday Cards,

4 Central and 4 Pin Fire Double Barrelled Fowling Pieces. 50 Muskets with Bayonets.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7 All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, December 19, 1877.

XMAS!!! XMAS!!! XMAS!!!

THE HONGKONG STEAM BAKERY has for Sale Ready-made CHRISTMAS CAKES of all sizes, and PASTRY of every description. DORABJEE NOWROJEE,

Ground Floor Hongkong Hotel. Hongkong, December 19, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

Alfhington, British barque, Captain G. Cunningham. - Wieler & Co. CILURNUM, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury. - Wieler & Co.

Colorado, American ship, Captain Ingraham. - Russell & Co. KATE CARNIE, British barque, Captain James Wilson. - Melchers & Co.

BROOMHALL, British ship, Captain H Bate, - Russell & Co. CHARTER OAK, American ship, Captain Staples. - Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. Schweer. - Melchers & Co. PARACCA, British barque, Captain C. Phillips. -- Adamson, Bell & Co. ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson. - Captain.

BIRKER, British ship, Captain W. Reynolds.—Order. JURGEN, German barque, Capt. Winds,-Siemssen & Co. ORNATE, British barque, Captain G.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Dec. 19, F'co Starace, Italian barque, 494, D. Garginto, Swatow Dec. 18, Ballast. THOMAS HOWARD & Co. Dec. 19, Ornate, British barque, 731, G. Panold, Swatow Dec. 18, Ballast,-CAP-

Dec. 19, Patrochus, British steamer, 1264, Billinge, Liverpool Oct. 28, Port Said Nov. 2, Suez 14, Colombo Dec. 1, Penang 7, and Singapore 12, General.—BUTTERFIELD

Dec. 19, Sunda, British steamer, 1029, S. Reeves, Yokohama December 11, Malls and General .- P. & O. S. N. Co. Dec. 19, H. M. S. Growler, 420, C. E. D. Willcox, from Manila, Dec. 13. Dec. 19, U. S. S. Monocacy, 1870, G. W. Sumner, from Amoy, Dec. 17.

Dec. 19, Carisbrooks, Brit. steamer, 986, H. Wharton, Singapore Dec. 9, General. Nov. -BUN HIN CHEAN. Dec. 19, Howsang, Chinese steamer,

DEPARTURES. Dec. 19, Mikado, for Batavia. 19, West Stanley, for Swatow. 19, Taiwan, for Coast Ports, 19. Shen-chi, for a cruise. - 19, Fung-shun, for Canton 19, Sarpedon, for London, &c.

OLEARED Gustav & Maris, for Batavia. Holyrood, for Holhow. Evening Star, for Manila Lombardian, for Yokohama. Patroclus, for Shanghai, Howsang, for Shanghai. Dale, for Holhow.

from Canton.

PASSENGERS.

Per Patrochus, from Liverpool, &c. Mr Galley of Lorne. Williamson, Miss Marion Linklater, Miss Cairnamuir, May Linklater, Capt. Douglas (H. B. M. Resident at Salaugore), and 195 Chinese. Per Sunda, from Yokohama, Col. & Mrs. Spilsbury, Rev. and Mrs. Palmer, and 12 Stentor (s.)

Naval Invalida. Per Carisbrooke, from Singapore, 102 Chinese. DEPARTED.

Per Taiwan, for Foothow, Mr Fairburst. Per Sarpedon, for Singapore, Me De Costs and 1 European | for London, Me and Mrs Hening and 2 children, and Mr

To DEPART. Per Thibet, from Bhanghai ! for Beindist. Mr and Mrs Viele, Mr P. Viele, Mr and Mrs Paige, Messre A. J. Brandon and C. A. Barattoni | for Street, Mr F. C. Bruschidt. From Hongkong : for Venice, Mr U. M. Dawson; for Singapore, Mr J. L. Flood, Dr. Stilman, Mr N. Curtis and 5 Chinese; for Penang, Mr G. Waghorn, Col. and Mrs Splisbury and servant

SHIPPING REPORTS. The Italian barque F'co Storace seporte : Light N.H. to B.N.E. winds and fine worked throughout the passers.

SHIPPING REPORTS The British barque Ornate reports ! On the 18th winds moderate and light from N.W. to N.E.; midnight fresh N.E. winds. On 19th fresh N.R. breeze.

The British steamer Patroclus reports Rough weather across the Bay of Bincay, otherwise fine weather throughout. The British gun vessel Growler reports: Very fine weather, calms and light westerly and south-westerly winds. Up to sighting Lema Strait strong N.N.W. breeze.
The U.S. S. Monocacy reports: Calm.

dense fog for 24 hours. The British steamer Carisbrooke reports: Light easterly winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamer Sunda, from Yokohama to Hongkong, reports: Experienced light variable winds and fine weather to Oosima (5.47 a.m. 12th); a fresh gale then set in from S.S.E., increasing to a whole gale at 10 p.m. with heavy rain and very high sea, which continued till midnight; the wind then fell light and at 0.30 a.m. (13th) shifted to N.W. in a tremendous equall of W.S.W., blowing a strong gale with very heavy confused sea till 1.30 p.m., when it shifted to N.W. and blew a whole gale with heavy beam sea, moderating at midnight off Eastern entrance of Van Diemans Straits; from thence to Turnabout and 6 a.m. had moderate S.E., South and S.W. winds with thick rainy weather, from thence to Lammocks had light Westerly and N.W. airs and calms with dense fog, engines moving slowly, from thence in mo-derate wind and fine.

CARGO. Outwards .- Per Thibet, for London. 1686 bales Raw Silk, 28 bales Wasto Silk 13 cases Silk Piece Goods, 1,020 half-chests Tes, 18,150 boxes Tes, 1,477 pkgs. Tes for Continent, 568 bales Raw Silk, 198 bales Coccoons; for Boston, 671 half-chests

Shipping Intelligence. The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers :--VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGHONG. When left. Name. From. Remarks, 10, David, Antwerp 12, Chandos, Aistra. Melbourne 18, Henry Lippett, New York 9, City of Halifax,

2. Northampton, Baltimore Ningara. Caxhavan Jessie Jamieson, Cardiff 14, Abernyte, Liverpoo Carl Ritter, Cardiff 80, Fordinand. Cardiff R. C. Rickmers. Cardiff

11, North Star, Cardiff 11. E. P. Bouverie, Penarth 14, Moss Glen. Patrie. Cardiff John Potts. 27, Charger,

New York 19, Felix Mendelssohn, London Liverpool Hamburg Table Bay Flushing Roads 3, Andreas 4, Humbolt, New York Flushing Roads Gatherer. Cardiff 10. River Lagan Cardiff . 15, G. F. Muntz. Newport 16, Parsee (s.), London . Wildwood, Liverpool 20. River Lagan.

Penarth

Cardiff 21, P. J. Carleton, Liverpool Harkaway, 23, Victoria (s.), Liverpool Hamburg Maria Ravano, Penarth Cardiff Anna Bertha Cuxhaven 8. Forest Belle Cardiff

Empire, Newport Eleano. Penarth Kalser. Penarth State of Alabama). London Minerva (a.), London Oardiff. 19, Oscar, Hamburg San Francisco

Lodore, Elizabeth Ostle. Antworp Cadiz (s.) London London London

2, Johann Smidt, Minna. Altons (s.) 6, Malabar (a. 3, Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg 7, Achilles (a.), Liverpool AT AMOY.

Mar. 28, C. F., Cardiff 27, Maxima, Swansea 1, Carl Wilhelm, Cardiff 4, Oscar Mooyet.

Newport ö, Catharina, Cardiff LOADING FOR CHIMA AND JAYAN PORTS. At London. -Steamers via Sues Canal Opphrenes. Glenfalloch,

Lorne. Bailing Vessels. Devana. Sir Harry Parket. At Liverpool.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:

J. For HOLHOW AND HAIPHONG .-Per DALE, at 8.30 s.m., on Thursday, the 20th inst. Carrying Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi. For SHANGHAL

Per HOWSANG, at 8,30 morrow, the 20th inst. Per PATROCEUS, at 8.80 p.m. Tomerrow, the 20th inst. For BANGKOK -Per Barque MARGRETH, at 4.30 p.m.

To-morrow, the 20th inst. OF YOKOHAMA & SAN PRANCISCO. Per CITY OF TOKIO, at 11.80 a.m. on Saturday, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified. For HAIPHONG .-Per Bargue ELISE, at Dame, on Mone

der, the 11th last

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Noon,-English Mail leaves for Ports. of Call and Enrope. Goods per Iraquaddy undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing

Tenders Close.

charges.

Noon; -Tenders for the Construction of a Cook House will be received by the Naval Storekeeper.

Auction. 2 p.m.—Sale of Japanese Curios, at Mesars

Lane, Crawford's Sale Room, Praya.

Miscellaneous. Transfer Books of The Chinese Insurance Co., Ld., closed from this date to 31st Instant, inclusive.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 21 :-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messy Lane, Crawford & Co. 1 p.m.-Regatta commences.

SATURDAY, December 22:-Noon .- American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Goods per State of Alabama undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SUNDAY, December 23 :-Daylight .- Namoa leaves for Coast Ports

MONDAY, December 24:-Goods per Glengyle undelivered after this date subject to rent. Goods per Geelong undelivered after thi date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, December 26:-Ocean leaves for Cooktown, &c., on about this date.

THUBSDAY, December 27:-Noon.-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon. - Sale of Household Furniture, &c. at Mr H. Kingsmill's residence. "A

You Like It." MONDAY, December 31:-Noon.-Sale of Ground and Buildings. at Measrs Lane, Crawford's Sale Room, Normanby leaves for Singapore, &c., or or about this date.

FRIDAY, January 4:-8 p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co. Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Monday, January 7:-9 p.m.-H. K. Choral Society's Concert at the City Ball.

Tuesday, January 15:-Claims against the Estate of James Smith Ferries, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

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at 7.20 p.m. THE CHINA MAIL.

MONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19, 1877.

A DEPUTATION waited upon Mr Hennessy yesterday and presented two petitions praying for the release of the convict brovo. Lee Lum Kwai. One of these petitions was from the mother of prisoner, and the other is stated to have been signed by forty-five respectable and influential Chinese residents. The mother pleaded for the release of her son on the ground that her poverty and his ignorance had led him to commit the crime, while the and saluted the port. "forty-five respectable and influential Chinese residents" prayed that he might be pardoned for the sake of his mother, wife, and children, who have no means of support. Lee Lum Kwai was at one rather singular that his "ignorance" should be one of the two grounds set forward for his release. That the poverty of his mother may, to some extent, have induced Lee Lum Kwai to become a oriminal is a statement we are hardly prepared to dony, but most people will be inclined to think that an individual who would deliberately compass the death of another for the sake of a few miserable dollars could hardly other description of forty-five respectable tial Chinese residents," in stating that fairles dancing in the moonlight beneath have no means of support, are, if our the shadow of an overhanging leaf-call information be correct, not paying so sto beautifully executed, and proclaim the much regard to the truth as might be fact that the artists employed by Messes De expected on the part of "respectable La Rue & Co. are of no mean order.

present time living on the bounty of the instant for China, vid Kobe and Nagasaki. very mandarin for whose and his own benefit Lee Lum Kwai was acting when he lost his liberty. This mandarin is represented as being worth millions of dollars, and is one of the most influential officials in the South of China at the present moment.

His Excellency promised the deputa-

tion that he would refer their petitions

to the Chief Justice, for His Lordship's opinion upon them. There is nothing at all surprising in the fact that these petitions should be presented at the present moment, and that they should be supported by "forty-five respectable and influential Chinese residents." The statement that His Excellency had released some fifty persons from gaol and Aleut. The Aleut is a small iron gunboat had the case of Lee Lum Kwai under of about 250 tons, and belonged to the consideration would very speedily get to Siberian squadron. She carried 4 guns and the ears of the prisoner's friends, and as | was commanded by Capt. Krashenninnikov. surely induce some effort on their part The vessel is reported to be wrecked on on to procure the man's release. The influence of the mandarin to whom we have referred, and who is no stranger among render any possible assistance, but although many of his countrymen in Hongkong, the crew, numbering about 60 men, were would alone be almost sufficient to induce all saved, it is feared that the vessel herself a number of "respectable Chinese" to is a total loss. sign a petition of this kind. Apart, however, from the influence of this offi. To illustrate the childish temper displayed cial, there would, we believe, be little by Shan Pao-chen about the Railway, it is difficulty in obtaining the forty-five his orders on taking possession of the line, signatures among the clansmen of the was to efface the Chinese characters for Viprisoner here, and others coming from the same district as himself on the mainland. The prisoner is a Chin-chew man, and everyone having much acquaintance about to be handed over. No Chinaman with the Chinese population of this Colony knows very well that a large the score of impropriety, so that His Excelproportion of the well-to-do Chinese here lency had not even this excuse to save his come from that part of China. The man. conduct from being thought ridiculous .- N. darin in question is also at present holding a very high and influential appointment in the Canton province. It may not be generally known that the case of Lee Lum Kwai has engaged the attention of subject of seamen's wages, and the concluthe Tsung-li Yamen at Peking on more sion they have come to is, that a reduction than one occasion. The matter was, we of about 16 per cent ought to be made in believe, first brought to the notice of the that particular item of a ship's expenditure. Peking authorities by a request that the A resolution was passed the other day to property taken from the unfortunate this effect, and the co-operation of all ship-Amow, the victim of the prisoner, should be handed back to him,—an application it is unreasonable that they should be burthat was not successful, chiefly, we be dened by a number of surplus men while lieve, through Amow declining, from lying in harbour idle seeking freight, and fear of his personal safety, to go to Can- that it is besides a hardship that they are ton and appear before the Viceroy. The compelled to re-engage men when wanted case thus assumes an almost political on terms higher than they could be got in appearance,

Apropos of the new regulation for sending all Chinese petitions to the Colonial Secretary's Office, it may be observed that the prisoner was those land-sharks who were able in those days to prey their countrymen in preparing petitions for them and facilitating their being brought to the notice of the Government. These abuses, resulting in unfice, where the Chinese could make their wants and grievances understood, our to take their petitions and the work of ago. the intermedium was gone. The new regulation of His Excellency seems likely to bring about a return to the old state of affairs.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MATE,"

(By Southern Route.) LONDON, 16th Dec., 1877. THE WAR.

The Servian Army has been ordered cross the frontier.

The Circular Despatch of the Ports solicited the mediation of the Guaranteeing Powers in order to stop bloodshed. The conditions upon which peace would b concluded are not stated.

> London, Dec. 17th, 1877. THE WAR.

The Italian Government have accepted proposals for mediation, made by Turkey it is believed that these proposals for add. mediation will be unsuccessful.

The Russians are advancing upon Be-There is no further news of interest.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE U. S. S. Monocaey arrived here to-day,

choicest Christmas cards have been sub- statained with admirable aplomb; yet it mitted to us for inspection, and we may would not have been a surprise, if in the time, we believe, acting interpreter in safely say that rarely have we seen such effort to suppress a nervous donaciousness the Police Court here, and therefore it is elaborate works of art produced at a price of the anomaly of position, her utterance which puts them within the reach of all. of smart condelts in the dislogue had reached Some fold neatly up, and are intended to a degree of volubility bordering upon the convey the good wishes of the season from proternatural; thus impairing the lilitaton the sender to the receiver through the of the scene. medium of a richly-plumaged bird or bouquet of exquisite flowers. Others again are rather to be used as guest cards and to be carefully arranged around the festive table; but all, whether portraying acones of oriental troubled with much filial or any life, with the languishing beauties of the feeling. The hareem, wild-looking imps disporting themand infinen- selves in grotesque shapes, or gradeful

and influential" residents. We are in- H. I. R. M.'s ships Boyan and Haydamack formed that all these people are at the were to sail from Yokohama on the 7th

> THE charges by Mr Myers, late U.S. Consul-General at Shaughal, against Mr Seward the U.S. Minister to Peking, have, we are informed, been formally drawn up, and placed in the hands of Mr W. M. Springer of Illinois, who was to present them at the earliest day possible and ask for an investigation. It is probable the Committee on Foreign Affairs will be directed to deal with them -Shanghai Courier.

WE (Japan Herald) mentioned in our yesterday's edition that the German frigate Elisabeth reported the loss of a Russian vessel on the west coast of Yesso. Enquiries having been made by telegraph, it has been ascertained that the vessel in question is the near the island of Okushiri, but as yet full particulars are wanting. The Vadnick left at 1 p.m. for the scene of the accident, to

worth recording that the first thing done by ceroy which had been placed on. the engine just arrived from home in com-pliment to the authorities to whom it was could have taken objection to the name on O. D. News.

THE shipmasters now in the port of Bombay. says the Calcutta Statesman, feeling the pinch of bad times, have met to consider the the open labour market.

Canton.

17th Dec., 1877. Availing of an invitation repeated for this Season, which we were unable to use during that of last winter, we were welcomed at Concordia Hall on Saturday evening by the same rich voice of Music that the Sealimited "squeezing," existed until Sir son before last we emayed to describe to Richard MacDonnell and Sir Arthur your readers as of that liquid and semiably-Kennedy made it imperative that all articulate quality recembling the warbling petitions should be presented through the of birds; though produced wholly by that Registrar General's Office. To that of master hand of artistic instrumentation that wrought upon your fastidious comnative fellow-colonists very soon learned munity a delighted surprise a few weeks

> If we add that beside Mr Rennell's ample volume of Music, we were treated with the unusual spectacle of the graceful acting of two young married Ladies, well supported by their husbands and friends of the Amateur Dramatic Society, we shall satisfactorily account for the attendance and obvious gratification of almost the entire Shameen Community of Ladies and Gentlemen, including Sir Brooke Robertson, the good genius of the city, also. But, after acknowledging that all acted well their parts, we are so conscious that criticism without discrimination is valueless or worse than that, that we are fain to impeach the judgment of the Managing Committee in the choice of the class of Plays from which they took "Little Mother," as inappropriate for Ladies; however suitable for professional actresses or popular with mixed audiences in large cities; not that we detected an indelicate allusion, we hasten to

Our first point is that the Play is founded upon scenes of life on a lower level than their own and moreover of the present day, as constituting a double embarrage ment :- For is it not a cruel dilemma for a Lady that the more truthfully she enacts such a part, the less she respects herself, and the more trying the ordeal before the Ladies of her audience ! Granted that there was not an unseemly word for a Ludy A PACKET of Messrs De La Rue & Co.'s granted that the principal Lady's part was

But I must hold my hand.

Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) 19th Det., 1877.

THE LORONG'S CASE! The femanded case, in which Tailed Achun (Lokong No. 183) was charged with extorting some tents in excess of what he was authorized to receive, came on again to-day, when Mr Francis again appeared to watch the case on behalf of the defendabli After hearing evidence of a similar takture to what was eligible posterior, Mi

admitting him to all as before.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

62 cents, but he had not yet been apprehended -Mr May discharged the defend another shop from which he obtained night a heavy gale had been blowing, but in ant, but ordered him to find security in \$37.50 from the Toong Shang shop, and the morning it moderated somewhat. Still one householder for \$100, to be forthcoming in the third case, the prisoner obtained it was stormy and the sea very rough. The to answer any charge which may be brought against him during the next three months. | broker on the 30th November last. Mr Dennys, who again appeared for the defendant, objected to the defendant being. called upon to find security as, he said, the evidence did not warrant such a course of procedure. Mr May noted the objection.

(Before James Russell, Esq.) EMBEZZIEMENT.

Chan Atang, a bricklayer, was committed for trial, for embezzling sundry small amounts of money, amounting altogether to \$8.75. The defendant stated, in dethat he had collected the money for his master (Leung Asau), a poultry dealer, when business called him home He had intended to pay his master the money when he came back.

STEALING FOWIS.

Kwan Ashing, a coolie, was charged on semand with stealing fifty-two fowls, the property of Leung Amin, a married woman, residing at Praya Kast. Mr Russell committed him for trial.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS. (Before His Honour Mr Justice Snowbert.) 19th December, 1877.

LARCENY.

Regina v. Les Yeung Sow.

The prisoner was indicted for stealing a box containing clothing from the prosecutor on the 6th November last. The prisoner pleaded not guilty, and the following Jury was empanelled :- Messrs A. Botelho, J. P. Da Costa, H. M. Blanchard, O. W. Wieler, J. R. White, F. A. Dos Remedios, and Jessie Cook.

Mr Francis, instructed by Mr Sharp, the Crown Solicitor, officiated for the Attorney General.

It appeared that the prisoner was employed in a stone-cutter's shed at Sow-kewan on the 6th November 1876. On that morning the prosecutor felt some one removing his box from his bed, and made a pursuit. The prisoner was the man pursued, but he managed to escape, and was not seen again until the 27th November this year. Mr Francis said the question here was whether the prisoner was the man who was identified by the prosecutor and his witnesses, as the man who was seen running away.

After hearing the evidence, the Jury returned a verdict of not guilty by 5 to 2. and cautioned him to be careful in future, otherwise he would be severely punished. He had had four convictions against him.

LARGENY.

Regina v. Chun Nam Hoi. The prisoner was indicted for stealing several pieces of clothing, \$8, two bottles important factor during the changing of and the prosecutor were living in Singapore that discharged by the Ship Channel to and it was their intention to return to such an extent that the false bar or lip at came here in the P. & O. steamer which at low water springs. Eventually the depth on board the Sarpedon on her arrival to to exist. look for the prisoner, who was found on board, as also his box, but it had been arebroken open and the contents abstracted. The prisoner's box was then searched and impeded during the progress of the works. the articles in Court, identified by the prosecutor as his property, were found in the the river.

prisoner's box. law involved in this case, as the alleged times of tide, instead of as at present having larceny was committed in Singapore.

His Lordship said the prisoner was found certain times of tide. in possession of the box here; that would be sufficient, as it would be continued pos-

England, where there was a special statute | ty of the appliances necessary for such on the subject. The act was committed in work, render the adoption of this method Singapore, and the question was whether | vastly preferable to any other. the larceny could be extended here.

point. his charge by the prosecutor at Singapore. and the clothing was lent him for his use: | the case if the system of fascine framework The prosecutor lent him the money to pay (zinkstuks) be adopted. Should any for his passage to China.

perhaps be necessary for the Jury to find, any portion of them, the expenses of so whether the offence was committed in doing would be very great and the labor Singapore or on board the Sarpedon, as in immense; in fact, once committed to such the bar of one of his doors and struck the Code which may be agreed upon hereafter the latter case, the legal difficulty would be a system, and you are bound down to it for brute with it, which so enraged the animal must abolish all obsolete and inconsistent night's business |--felonious intent, otherwise the mere taking | endanger the navigation of the river, you would be no offence at all, and they must take into consideration the fact of the box | removing the materials or by the adoption being broken open during the voyage.

The Jury found that the prisoner was use of more material of a similar nature. guilty of the larceny both at Singapore and on board the Sarpedon.

point of law as to jurisdiction. The Court was then adjourned till 2.15 | bank.

LARGENT AND CONSPIRACY,

Regina v. Chun Aloi and Lee Ayun. The prisoners were indicated on three Sounts, the first charging them with largeny | front of some of the wharves. of \$1; the second with compliany to defraud; and the third with obtaining money by false pretences in representing a fletitious

Article to be a gentine root of ginseng. It appeared that the prisoners represented to one Wong Aching that a piece of root called Tin Tung was the valuable root of Consul, who accompanies the Minister and is fired soon gave the animal his quietus, and

and sentence was reserved.

PALSE PRETENCES.

Regina v. Ng Apiu. to his bail to-day. Mr Lister said he had brokers by representing certain bangles to Robertson, H.B.M.'s Consul. From the no further evidence to produce. He had a be gold whereas they were made of baser testimony adduced, it appears that the two warrant for the apprehension of Kwong metal. In the first case he obtained \$32.85 unfortunate men lost their lives on the 7th Awing (the No. 3 postman), for embezzling from the Lai Loong pawnshop on the 10th of August last, when the ship was in lat. November; in the second case he went to | 38.30 S., long. 47 East. During the previous \$41.60 from Lui Apoon, another pawn- mate put two men at the wheel at 8 o'clock

a long coat, and spoke the Mandarin dialect. He called out to the men at the wheel to hold being a native of Hunan. He said that he fast, then jumped on the deck-house himsel bought the gold bangles for \$82 taels him- and seized hold of an iron stanchion: After self, and did not know that they were not the wave had swept over the vessel, he looked made of pure gold, that he was acting bona towards where the two men had been, and fide and begged the mercy of the Court. found that both, as well as the wheel, were He added that if skilful men such as the gone. The ship was hove to as quickly as pawnbrokers themselves could not detect possible, but nothing was seen of either of the falsity of the metal, how could he be them. A verdict was returned to the effect expected to know?

Francis said the false pretence consisted in | render them any assistance. the prisoner presenting a bangle which had stamped on it "Tin Wah, pure gold." He did not use any actual words to represent that the bangle was of pure gold, but Mr being nued up by copper wire.

than gold. the question of false pretence if necessary, munity and the regret felt by all at the the decisions in similiar cases being con- departure of the Tennessee were gracefully

flicting. The Jury found the prisoner guilty, but recommended him for mercy on account of his old age.

The point of law was reserved. The Sessions were then adjourned till to-morrow at 11 a.m., instead of the usual time of 10 o'clock.

Ohina.

SHANGHAL

A full and important "Report on Woosung Bar," prepared by Captain Bridgford, R.M.A., and forwarded to the Shanghai Municipal Council, at the request of Admiral Ryder, is published by our morning contemporary. He says "It is quite evident that the Junk Channel is the true channel, that ought to convey the whole volume of the river over that section." We regret that we have not space for the whole report; but the following is the remedy proposed.

Therefore, if it be considered desirable to improve this section of the river, the first object to be attained is the enlargement of the sectional area of the most shoal portion of the Junk Channel, as by having an said the prisoner had a very lucky escape, floud tide water will be projected past Gough's Island and so stored for supplying the ebb with increased volume. As this enlargement progresses, the strength of the Mr Francis said these convictions took abb will at first increase in the Ship but it will also, from the same cause, plus the enlargement of the channel, increase the ebb in the Junk Channel. (Now this channel has a greater fall, being shorter than the Ship Channel, and this is a very and other things, the property of Lee Yun | the river bed). Gradually the volume dis-Hing. It appeared that both the prisoner | charged by the Junk Channel will exceed Ohina together in the steamer Sarpedon, but its lower end will commence to silt up, thus the prosecutor missed the steamer, and the increasing the choke to the ebb in that prisoner came on in her, taking the prosecu- channel. By this time the Junk Channel tor's box with him. The prosecutor then | ought to have a minimum depth of 12 feet left there the day following but arrived here | will be between four and five fathoms, and shortly before the Sarpedon. He then went | the present Ship Channel will have ceased

The principal advantages of this scheme 1st.—That the navigation will not be

8rd.—The restoring of that section of Mr Francis said there was a question of the river to one channel, navigable at al two channels that are only navigable at

In the first place, I am decidedly of opinion that dredging is not alone the most economical and practical method; but I am Mr Francis said that would hold good in | certain that the great simplicity and mobili-

Another great advantage in using the His Lordship said he would reserve the dredge is the fact that there is no limit to the amount of deviation possible; and that The prisoner said the box was given into | during any stage of the works it may be stopped without detriment. Such is not these by any accident become displaced, or In summing up His Lordship said it would should it be considered necessary to remove obviated. The next question for them to ever. If it produce an unexpected and decide was whether the taking was with a unwished for effect, that is likely to cannot stop its action except by laboriously of some palliative measures involving the

Pheasant Point would benefit much by the turning of the whole volume of water His Lordship thought the offence must into the Junk Channel, as the ebb would be complete in Singapore, and reserved the | then strike it at a favourable angle, instead of as at present flowing parallel to its left

> Including every possible contingency, I should roughly estimate that Tls. 150,000 would be required to complete the work The plant remaining would be useful in dredging out the silt in front of Pootung Point, and also in clearing the berths in

(Gazettei) On the arrival at this port of the Chinese ginsong, and the man was indused to buy expected about the 12th instant; Chinese re- he was afterwards taken to the Tranquerah The prin pers vers found guilty on the delighted at the idea of being no largest though every oppoint being on the way, a lower range in the head natives are now

May committed the defendant for trial, | third court. They were old offenders, and | amenable to Japanese Courts. Whether the | the Superintendent of Police, and his subor- | of rate is anticipated. to them remains to be seen.

men, Richard Walsh and Edward Afflick, and a couple of hours afterwards he observed The prisoner was respectably dressed in a wave rise perpendicularly over the stem that the two men were lost overboard, unde in the course of the opening speech Mr circumstances which made it impossible t

There has been no political news of im-Francis submitted that it was similar to the portance to chronicle in the past week. The case in Oxford where a man went into a ball given by the community to Captain shop and obtained goods on the strength of Young and the officers of the Tennessee his attire. The bangles in this instance previous to her departure from this port was had only a casing of pure gold, the hollows in every respect a complete success, and the Mr Committee deserve the most unbounder Francis observed that if the case stood by praise for the thorough and tasteful manner itself, there would perhaps have been some in which they carried out the arrangements difficulty in the Jury finding the prisoner About two hundred and fifty people were guilty, but here were three cases occurring present, the Diplomatic and Consular bodies together; it might be fairly concluded that being largely represented. By the kind the prisoner had guilty knowledge of the permission of the Governor of Kanagawa bangles being composed of baser metal Ken, who was likewise present, the Town Hall was placed at the disposal of the His Lordship said he would reserve the Committee. The good wishes of the Comexpressed in a speech by the Chairman, Mi Russell Robertson, and replied to in-feeling terms by Captain Young. The entertainment was throughout one of the most successful that has ever taken place in Yokohama. The Tennessee left on Tuesday for Kobs, on her homeward voyage, accompanied by the hearty wishes of all for the welfare of those who have so long been resident among us, and whose gracious hospitality will be sadly missed.

The Straits.

(Straits Times.) from all blame in the matter.

committed last evening (Dec. 10th) in a tobacco, are still subject to import dues who arrived here by the French mail claim to take his own time in receiving his steamer about ten days ago, with a through goods when the Government official retardticket to Melbourne, and he was awaiting ed the unshipment. Bonded warehouses the departure of the E. & A. Co's steamer have made even the delivery of duty-paying the Hotel de la Paix, and it was noticed charge of cargoes was confined to one hatch. that his mind appeared much disturbed and | for the Customs' Officers could not attend tention of going out bird shooting, and it before daylight. A complete revolution ness sampan and ordered the boatman to and winches, ensure quick despatch. row him round where he might get some Floating lights in the Swin and Queen's shooting. The Chinaman did so for about | Channel enable steamers to be navigated by a couple of hours, when suddenly Knockel night as well as by day, and they arrive side. A moment afterwards he threw down towed to and from the docks, and the only in the forchead, the ball going right through | enough to enter or leave a dock, ships may the brain. He fell overboard in the act | go in or come out without the interference with the revolver in his hand, and the shots of the Officers of Customs. Steamers are having attracted the attention of some now discharged in fewer hours than it took sailors on board a vessel in the harbour, days to perform the same work, and when his body was quickly recovered and was these vessels are employed in a regular taken by them with the wounded China- trade and have appropriated berths, there man on board the troopship Tamar, when is no hindrance to their despatch as a rule it was found the unfortunate man was dead. | while, in exceptional circumstances, special The surgeon on board the Tamar dressed providen is make in Bills of Lading to meet the Chinaman's wounds, and, the police the requirement of the Shipowner or the being communicated with, he was removed Merchant, as the case may be. These 2nd.—It will give more rise of tide up to the Hospital, where he is progressing exceptions, however, are not to be deemed favourably. The body was also taken charge as the general customs of a Port, but of by the police, and an inquest will be held. judges and juries in Courts of Law are The act would appear to have been pre- frequently engaged in construing them. meditated by the deceased, as a photograph The new conditions have so changed things of his mother, was found in his pocket book | that it is now very perplexing to reconcile with a few lines written over it asking for ancient and modern usages. The Moorsom

its charge, and made its way into Town as facts it will be seen that a period named Baboo, together with a Police Cons- founded by a few Merchants in any one table, came hastily to the spot. The former Port for their personal advantage, must be (it is said,) went unarmed, whilst the latter permitted to remain in a Maritime Interwas armed with a musket. They both on- national Code. That Code ought to contain tered the house and the tiger sprung upon clauses to regulate in principle all the Corporal Baboo, inflicted a severe wound | customs of Ports with reference to contracts on his arm, and scratched his face very of affreightment; and, in the interest severely, and the man had to be taken to Shipping, we would recommend that the Hospital, where he is now lying, but gradual- Associations should invite attention to the ly recovering from the effects of his wound, subject by resolutions at their own meetwhilst the unfortunate Calestial died from ings, and by gaining recognition for thom the effects of his the day before yesterday, in the Chambers of Commerce. Whilst the tiger attacked Corporal Baboo the Police Constable, with great presence of mind dealt the animal a blow over the head with the butt end of his musket at the same time pushing it away from the Corporal in order to make it release its for Bengal Opium throughout the closing grasp. Soon afterwards a party of Police fortnight. In this absence of any brisk

change of jurisdiction will be any advantage | dinate officers, as to who was the owner of the tiger, it is said that up to the present An official enquiry into the loss of two time no information has been ascertained, the Malay cartman averting that he too Tang Tao Chun, the head messenger, or The prisoner was indicted on three counts belonging to the British barque Pauline, has does not know the name of the owner and office boy, at the Post Office, surrendered for obtaining advances from three pawn- been held on board that vessel by Mr Russell (to add insult to injury,) forther says that he was never paid his hire for bringing the animal into Town !!

"OUSTOM OF THE PORT." (Mitchell's Maritime Register.) Shipowners Associations should take up

the question of the Custom of Ports.

Charter-parties and Bills of Lading contain

stipulations that cargo is to be laden or discharged; or the Lay-days are to commence; or the freight to be paid " according to the custom of the Port." In most cases the Owner or the Master is ignorant of the usages existing at the Port to which the vessel is ordered; and when a ship has to call at a Port to receive orders, and the place of final destination cannot, consequently, be known at the time when the agreement is signed, it is impossible to provide against the enforcement of exactions unless all mention of custom has been previously struck out. Custom cannot be set up in the United Kingdom to override the written terms of a contract, but it is allowed to be pleaded to explain those terms. When, however, the vague term of "Custom of the Port" is inserted in a Charter-party, there may be an opportunity for contention. It has been held that a custom, to be binding, must be "certain, uniform, and universal." A general custom, said Dr Lushington in the care of the (Amiralty Court), can only be established by an overwhelming bulk of evidence. there are exceptions to a rule, the custom cannot be universal, and, therefore, is not in that respect, within the conditions of Charter-party. Most of the prevailing customs now wholly or in part adhered were in force at the time when protective duties were levied, but free cargoes and the introduction of steam have so changed the state of affairs, that what might have been reasonable years ago is not so in the present day. When the Government required to ascertain the quantity and quality of goods on landing, so as to determine the amount

of dues, and there were no covered-in quays, discharging was necessarily a comparatively slow process ; but as ships are now unloaded in a day, irrespectively of cubical contents, weighing or measuring, there is no obstacle to the delivery cargoes, except that of dock accommodation. It must not be taken for granted, however, that goods can be measured as fast as they can be put over the side of ship. New conditions and exigencies, it is apparent, have arisen, and old customs The result of the Court of Inquiry on the | which applied to a period when the workwreck of the barque Ribstone, Captain ing hours of delivery were restricted, in Brown, on the Brill reef, has been that the consequence of goods having to be placed master and officers have been exonerated on the scales for the purpose of assessing the duties, are no longer intelligible, or A suicide of a determined character was when so, reasonable. Tes, wine, spirits, and sampan in the Harbour under circumstances | but great relaxations have been made by of a peculiar nature. The unfortunate the Commissioners of Customs in the system suicide was a Bayarian, named Knockel, of delivery. The Merchant might fairly In discharging the prisoner, his Lordship enlarged area, a much greater volume of his voyage. In the meantime he lodged at than formerly. Not many years ago the dishe suffered from constant depression of any more, and manual labour made the work spirits. Yesterday afternoon, about three tediously long. Here, in the Thames, the place prior to the offence with which the Channel, owing to the increased volume of double barrelled gun with the expressed in- taking in or letting out ships after dark or appears, that some time afterwards, pro- has latterly taken place, for mechanical bably more than an hour, he hired a Chi- appliances, hydraulie lifts, ateam cranes, aimed his gun at him and shot him in the and depart at all hours. Sailing ships are his gun in the sampan, took a revolver out | delays they experience originate with the of his pocket, and deliberately shot himself wind or the tide. Whenever there is water

system of measuring ships, and for fixing An unfortunate occurrence took place the tonnage for fiscal purposes, is likely to last Monday at Malacca in the Tranquerah | become the law in all Maritime States; and District, which resulted in the death of a there is uniformity with regard to the Chinaman and the severe wounding of a steering and Sailing Rules, and the lights Corporal of Police. It appears that a black to be carried by sea-going ships. The Intertiger which had been brought by a Malay national Code of Signals is now the only man (name unknown,) from the Country recognised method of signalling from ship Districts of Chabow, and sold to another to ship, or from the ship to the shore, and Malay man residing at Limbongan, for the all Naval Powers recognise it as the proper sum of \$75, escaped during the night from medium of communication. From these far as Tranquerah, where it entered the approaching when the Laws of the Sea may house of a Chinese shopkeeper just as he be assimilated, and when that is achieved was opening has shop, and quietly crouched their application will be identical in all underneath one of his tables. The man parts of the world. Then, why should thinking the animal (on account of his there be such a discordance in the customs unnatural colour,) to be a dog, took up of Ports ! The Maritime International that it immediately sprung upon him and regulations. At Ports where loading and bit his arm, and gave him an ugly scratch discharging are conducted the authorities over the face. The poor fellow, although must conform to the necessities of the age. severely wounded, managed to run out of Oustoms must not present so many variahis premises and called for the aid of the tions and anomalies, or be capable of inter-Police. Shortly afterwards a Corporal pretation in so many ways. No usage

enquiry for Patna the holders of the drug

showed less firmness; and the rate for

has sonsoquently wearened . With a large

COMMERCIAL. December 19. A quiet tone has prevailed in the market

The present quotation is \$680.

vices from the Coast ports, the rate for the given below. drug gradually gave way, which is at proment quoted at \$600.

The month's receipt, so far, show an aggregate of 4,214 chests, against 8,280 chests to the corresponding date last year. During the interval under notice some 600 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against 1,000 chests at the corresponding period last year. This, with sorts, the expectations, leaves a stock computed at 8,100 chests, against 2,800 chests same time last year. Of this last quantity 700 chests were Behares, of which kind present stock comprises 800 chests.

MESSES, HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Mail of Thursday, 20th December, says :--

The market continues dull, hardly any business offering for sailing vessels, the oblef feature during the fortnight having been the settlements of steamers by the Native Rice Dealers from Saigon to this for series of voyages to commence about the middle or end of next month.

Homewards, a little has been done for the Philippines at declining rates, but there is hardly any inquiry at present from thence or for China Ports; and as disengaged tonnage is accumulating, freights are Coastwise, the market shews no signs of

life, there being very little demand for salling vessels, while steamers are only wanted to load a month hence at Saigon. The German bark Picciola, 238 tons, left for Hamburg with cargo on owners' account. The French bark Angele, 391 tons, has taken the berth for Melbourne and Sydney, and the German back Margrethe, 358 tons, for Bangkok. The Danish ship Doris Brodersen, 647 tons, cleared for Rangoon, and the British bark Lombardian 718 tons, for Yokohama under orders from home. The German schooner Blankenese, 257 tons, and German bark Norma, 339 tons, left for Chefoo, and the British bark Roderick Hay, 290 tons, for Bangkok, all

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 56 vessels, registering 28,198 tons. The following are the settlements :-British ship Hawkesbury, 1175, Manila

to New York, private. German bark C. R. Bishop, 898, Manila to London or Liverpool, or to New York,

British bark Paracca, 464, Manila to London or Liverpool, private. French bark St. Adresse, 622, hence San Francisco and back via Puget Sound,

German bark Mikado, 330, hence to Batavia and Samarang, \$1,400 in full, 20 lay

German bark Carmelita & Ida, 488, hence to Batavia, \$1,300 in full, 22 lay days. Italian bark Bianca Pertica, 660, hence \$3.70; Mandarin, \$4.30, Young Stem, \$5.80, to Touron, \$1,400 in full, 80 lay days. Haw, bark Elese, 812, hence to Haip-

hong and back, \$1,150 in full, 30 lay days. German bark Coquette, 281, hence to Saigon, \$450 in full. German bark Johanne, 528, hence to Salgon, \$800 in full, 20 lay days.

British steamer Marcia, 1060, hence to Saigon and back, \$6,100 in full, 15 lay German steamer Cassandra, 937, hence

to Salgon and back, \$4,750 in full, 13 lay German steamer Cassandra, 937, hence

German steamer Atalanta, 782, Salgon to Hongkong, 6 trips, 221 cents per picul. German steamer Altona, 1,167, hence to Saigon and back, 6 trips, 24 cents per picul. str. German steamer Atalanta, 782, hence to Singapore and Peanng, \$3,300 in full, 10 lay days.

German steamer Madagascar, 884, hence to Singapore and Penang, \$3,300 in full, 12 lay days. German bark Malvina, 484, hence to

Singapore, \$600 in full, 9 lay days. British brig Victory, 255, hence to Bangkok, \$820 in full. American bark Wealthy Pendleton, 810.

Keelung to Hongkong, \$1.20 per ton of 20 German bark Peter, 240, Foochow to Chefoo and back to Amoy, 23 cents per

British steamer West Stanley, 993, Swatow to Singapore (Passengers), \$75 per head, 12 lay days. British steamer Strathairly, 1,236, Swatow to Singapore (Passengers), Private. British steamer Marcia, 1,060, Monthly

Charter, 4 or 6 months, \$7,500 per month. MESSES DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 18th Dec., says :---We have again to report a small business

in our Tea market. Congous.—A few settlements are reported at about former rates. At Macao transactions have been on a moderate scale.

Scented Teas. - Capers have been in but Credits, ittle enquiry, and only small settlements | Documentary, 6months sight,.. 3/117 have resulted; medium and good teas have again been bought at prices rather in Calcutta, favor of buyers and may be quoted about Shanghai, demand, a tael easier; a few parcels of common tea have changed hands at Tis, 11 a 114. Scented Orange Pekoes have also been

taken to a small extent at about previous rates | "long leaf" kinds have been the Gold Leaf, only sorts enquired for, and no business is English Sovereigns, reported in "short leaf" teas. The following is a summary of the fort- Discount, 115 112 11 11. 8 & 10

Congon, 700 boxes a Tis. 25 a 28 per Hongkong Bank, 87 % prem. picul | Scented Caper, 2,000 boxes a Tla. 11 a 23 per picul | Scented Orange Pekoe, Ohina Traders' Ins. Co., \$2,860 8,000 boxes a Tls. 18 a 23 per picul. Export of the various descriptions of

Tess shipped from Canton Waters (Hong kong, Canton and Macao) to Great Britain to date :- Dec. 1, S. S. Diomed, Congou 90,596 lbs., S. Caper 88,889 lbs., S. O. Pekce 98,099 lbs., total 277,084 lbs.; 8. S. Gwallor, Congou 138,135 lbs., S. Caper 287,864 lbs., S. O. Pekce 87,088 lbs., total 460,832 lbs.-Making with previous shipments, a total for the season of 18,508,709 lbs. (including 192,649 lbs. lost in Meikong); against 16,878,106 for season

Sitz .- The active demand advised in our last report continued during the first week of the past fortnight, and 700 bales Teatlee found buyers during that period; a further 100 bales were settled immediately after the departure of the French mail, but discouraging advices from the Continent, received on 12th instant, completely checked business for a few days. The demand how. ever has again set in, and 100 hales are re-ported as having changed hands yesterday.

asking 8422 a \$425 per picul. Holders. having small stocks in their hands, are able The call for Benares has been likewise to take up a firm position, and show no rather languid, and with less favorable ad- disposition to accept lower rates than those

Long-reels .- There has been less demand for India, and settlements only amount to about 20 piculs. Re-reels. - A small business has been

done in these kinds. Stock is estimated at 400 bales Teatlee 80 bales Kowkong, 40 bales Cumchuck and Lucklow, and 100 to 150 bales of inferior

Waste is still in small supply; there is no stock of No. 1 quality. QUOTATIONS.

Tsatles,.....Curlo, \$515No. 1, \$480 \$435 a 440 4, \$420 a 425 Loongkong, Curio, - None Cumchuck ad Lucklow, - \$425 Re-reeled Cumchuck } Best \$550 and Lucklow No. 1, \$515 ", Cote-ng-own, ", 3, \$470 a 480 SETTLEMENTS FOR THE FORTNIGHT.

for Europe, 800 bls. 160 bls. United States, dro., Re-reels,... 84 bxs. 60 bys. Bombs T..... 20 pls. & 40

Export of Silk .- Export to date :- To London, 4,622 bales; to Continent, 5,672 bales; to America, 3,382 boxes; to Bombay. 2,292 piouls ;-total, 10,294 bales, 3,882 boxes, and 2,292 piculs. Of Waste, 4,253 Pierced Coccons, 751 bales for pales.

DRUGS AND SPICES,-Cassia Lignes, is quoted for Loting \$9.50 in mats. \$9.70 in boxes, for Tai Wo \$9.60 in mats, \$9.80 a \$9.90 in boxes. Sales 2,000 piculs. Stock 12,000 piculs. Cassia Buds, \$14.20 per picul. Sales 600 piculs. Star Aniseed, \$25 a \$28. Rhubarb, No. 2, \$40 a \$45. Alum, \$1.75 a \$1.85 per picul. Camphor. \$20.50 a \$21 per picul, packed

SUNDRIES, -Fire Orackers, 72 a 77 cents per box. for Gowqua's No. 1, gold chop. Vermilion, \$36 a \$87 per box. Matting, Fine contract, White 4/4, 111 cents, 5/4, 13½ cents, 6/4, 15½ cents per yard; Red Check, 4/4, 121 cents, 5/4, 142 cents, 6/4, 172 cents; Double Extra Imperial, white 4/4, 144 cents, 5/4, 17 cents, 6/4, 20 cents; Red Check, 4/4, 16 cents, 5/4, 181 cents, 6/4, 211 cents per yard. Cargo Ginger, new, in syrup (Chyloong) per box of 6 jars.

LEAD -Small sales have been effected at previous rates. QUICKSILVER. - Prices have declined slightly, and quotations are now \$63 a 63.50 per picul. GINSENG. - Unchanged.

SEIPPING. The rate of Freight to London, per steamer is £2.17/, and per salling vessel, £2 per ton of 40 and 50 cubic feet respectively. The rate of Freight to New York, per steamer, is £4.7/ and per sailing vessel, to Saigon and back, 6 trips, 25 cents per £1.10/ a £1.15/ per ton of 40 cubic feet. LOADING AND ON THE BERTH. -At Whampos.—For London and New York.—None. At Hongkong. - For London. - Sydenham, Oneida, Kate Carnie, Sarpedon, str., Orestes,

> For New York .- Isles of the South, Colorado, T. A. Goddard, Morro Castle. For San Francisco. - Cilumum.

DEPARTURES. - From Whampos -- For London and New York.—None From Hongkong.-For London.-None. For New York .- None. For San Francisco. -- None.

Quotations. Hongkong, December 19, 1877. OPIUM, -New Patns, cash....\$630 Old Patna, cash,... None New Benares, cash, 600 Old Benares, cash, None New Malwa, cash, -Allowance Taels. — Old Malwa, cash, credit, 780 Allowance Taels, -Exchange. Bank, on demand, ... *** 8/103 30 days' sight,

6 months' sight. ... Bombay, demand Rupees, Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., Sycee, Moricans, ... Australian Sovereigns, ...

Union Ins. Society or Canton, \$1,100 Ohinese Insurance Co., \$257 Yangtase Ins. Assoc, Th. 650 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 860 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$685 Ohina Fire las, Co., \$175 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 6 % dies H.K. C. & M. S. boat Co., 18 % dia. Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tis. 26 Hongkong Gas Co., 675 Hongkong Hotel Co., \$56 Chinese Imperial Loan, £104 Temperature.

(Teken Gl Mesers Falconer & Co.'s Premier Queen's Road.) Homewowe, December 19, 1877. BAROMETER- 9 A.M. ... 80,174 4 P.M. ... 80.084 THERMOMETER-9 A.M. ... 1 P.Minis 6 P.K ... Do. (Was bulb) 9 A.M. Do. 1 P.K. 4 P.M.

Do, Maximum Do, Minimum over night



STEAM FOR

Fingapore, Penang, Point de Galle Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutts, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship THIBET, Captain TORBOCK, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 20th December, at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London, will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the To-day. direct route. Silk and Valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, December 11, 1877.

U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAIL WAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF TOKIO will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATUR-DAY, the 22nd Instant, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the

United States, and Europe, Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans. Atlantic lines of Steamers. A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY. AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMIS-

BION. Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 21st Instant, Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. came day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same in required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co , Agents. Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS. STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, BATAVIA BAIGON. POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT ADEN. SAID, NAPLES, AND

MARSEILLES; BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

N THURSDAY, the 27th December. 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. DJEMNAH, Commandant CHAMPENOIS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the

above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marsellles for the principal places of Europe. Cargo will be received on board until

4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th December, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-

ouired. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office. H. Dr POUEY,

Hongkong, December 14, 1877.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, RHE MEIN ROLLOURSON HE

CENTRAL UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING

RAILROAD COMPANIES

ATLANTIO STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 4th January, 1878, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with

Steamers from Shanghai. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 3rd January, 1878. PARCEL PAUKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAR-BAGE TICKETS. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkoug, December 13, 1877.

Notices to Consignees.

S. S. ESMERALDA, FROM AMOY

AND MANILA

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo per above U Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under-

No Fire Insurance has been effected. J. Y. V. SHAW.

Hongkong, December 13, 1877. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

MHE S. S. State of Alabama, Captain RITCHIE, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats

delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai and or Yokohama, unless notice to the contrary is given before 5 p.m.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. The Steamer having met with certain accidents during her voyage, Consignee will be required to sign an Average Agreement, which is lying at the Office of the Undersigned, before delivery of their Cargo

can be obtained. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. State of Alabama. Hongkong, December 15, 1877.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE

THE S. S. Glengyle having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given

before 11 a.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 24th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. Glengyle.

Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

& O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. GEELONG. MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamers MALWA from London, and POONAH from Calcutta, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 24th Instant will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIME?,

S. S. IRAOUADDY.

NOTICE. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. Gange, from London, in contraction with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-Morrow, the 14th Inst., at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersloped

Goods remaining unclaimed after TRUES-DAY, the 20th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POULY,

Hongkong, December 13, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGEBIES

MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate gelivery This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Bire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY.

W G S No. 1/7) Mr G. W. Scott, 7 cases Wine, from Mar-H. M.S. Lapwing.) Mr J. Ridley, | 1 case Effects, from Formosa. London, Hongkong, December 6, 1877.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL THENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five yearly Lease expiring on the Slat August, 1878. SHALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the Blat March. 1878; to the Secretary of the Honemone HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Becretary.

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 21st and 22nd December, 1877.

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> FIRST DAY, FRIDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1877.

FIRST RACE. -1 P.M. Junior Scuils. For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Entrance \$5. Distance One Mile Prize, "Brokers' Cup." Open- to any

one who has never won a Sculling Race in China and Japan. SECOND RACE -1.30 P.M. For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commis sioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize \$15; Second, \$5. Out-rigged Boats ex-

cluded. TEIRD RACE, -2 P.M. The "Chairman's Cup," for Four-Oared Canton Cutters: Distance One mile and a half. Entrance \$10.

FOURTH RACE, -2.30 P.M. For Men-of-War Gigs and Whalers. tance One Mile. Entrance \$1. Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. No time allowed for Oars.

FIFTH RACE. -- 3 P.M. LADIES' PURSE." For Single Pair Soul ling Boats. Distance One Mile. trance \$5.

SIXTH RACE .- 3.30 P.M. For House Boats and Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile, Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Time for Cars, 6 seconds per Oar.

SEVENTH BACE .- 4 P.M. International Race. "Challenge Cup"presented by the Merchants of Hongkong -for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. To be won two consecutive years before being Distance One Mile. Entrance

SAILING RACE. For Men-of-War's Boats, any rig. Entrance 32. First Prize, \$20; Second, YACRT RACE.

or all Yachts. Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Cup presented.

SECOND DAY, SATURDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1877.

FIRST RACE.-1 P.M. For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Second Race on first day, and out-rigged Boats excluded.

SECOND RACE .- 1.30 P.M. For House Boats and Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Sixth Race on first day excluded. Time for Cars, 6 seconds per Oar.

THIRD RACE,-2 P.M. " Members' Cup "-presented by Members of "The Victoria Recreation Club"for Four Oared Canton Cutters. Distance One Mile and a half. Entrance \$10. Winner of "The Chairman's Cup" excluded.

FOURTH BACK -2,80 P.M. For Mon-of-War Cutters. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Becond, \$5. No time allowed for Cars. FIFTH RACE .-- 3 P.M.

Sanior Sculls. Cup presented by the Parsee Community. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$5. Winner of the "Ladies Purso" excluded.

SIXTH RACE -3.80 P.M. For Officers of H.M.S. Audactous against Fleet in harbour. Cup presented by the Members of the Hongkong Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile, Entfation \$10,

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YOW SHING, and the other Chinese Passengers. Hongkong, December 14, 1877.

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